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Art in Public Places Commission

October 28, 2014

The Art in Public Places Commission (AIPPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled meeting on October 28, 2014 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center located 273 Hilltop Lane. **Chair** Moyer called the meeting to order at 6:47pm.

Commissioners Present: **Chair** Moyer, **Vice Chair** Koscianski, Palumbo, Peterson, Towle-Krewson

Commissioners Absent: Matthews, Averill, Arthur

Staff Present: Walters, Whittlinger

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Palumbo moved approval of the minutes as written. Ms. Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 5-0.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. AIPPC Website

Ms. Peterson reported that the AIPPC needs a broader presence on the webpage because it is difficult to locate anything on the webpage that currently exists. There are currently three photographs on the webpage without a description. She provided a copy of the current webpage and explained that the intent is to include photographs of projects as well as descriptions. She spoke with Ms. Young who was agreeable to assisting the AIPPC in expanding its presence and provided a series of questions for the AIPPC to address. The AIPPC briefly discussed the questions and responses. Ms. Peterson suggested including ongoing projects, photographs, and accomplishments on the webpage. She suggested including a contact person on the webpage as well as a presence on the front page of the City's website. **Chair** Moyer suggested including the murals on a rotating basis as well as the Chorale and Symphony.

2. Art Catalogue Project

Chair Moyer reported that Mr. Charles Zug was provided a resolution by the Council for his work on the public art cataloguing research. The AIPPC requested a copy of the resolution or the wording which staff agreed to provide. The AIPPC needs to get the catalog research work onto the website so it must be reformatted and publicized. The catalogue is categorized by the type of art. Ms. Peterson suggested following the Smithsonian format for the research. There was a brief discussion regarding hiring someone to complete the formatting and the publication work using grant funds. There was a request for a volunteer to apply for the Rotary grant and it was suggested that Mr. Zug may be available to assistance with the grant application. **Chair** Moyer noted that the cataloguing is the first step in promoting this City as an arts destination.

3. Updates

a. HPC Artwalk Exhibit Extension

Chair Moyer noted that four people showed up to testify and the project was approved on the consent docket. Ms. Whittlinger added that the HPC agreed to extend the exhibits if the surrounding property owners agree to the extension by providing a letter and that the City prepares a letter for the Harbormaster and the Newman Park artwork. The AIPPC asked Ms. Whittlinger to check into whether the extensions could occur automatically without the need for approval every three years and to report back.

b. Hotel Tax

Chair Moyer noted that under the State law, 3% of the hotel tax in the County/City goes to the AACO Cultural Arts. However, there is a provision in the law under B1 that states that money raised in the City should stay in the City. She noted that 3% of the City's hotel tax equates to \$64,000 annually and that amount is provided to Cultural Arts so over three years that the program has been in existence, the City has provided \$157,000 and the AIPPC has received \$30,000 of this money. She met with the Mayor and City Manager to ask if the City would support an amendment to the State law so that the 3% would go to the AIPPC and the Mayor had some concerns. She encouraged members to discuss their concerns regarding the hotel tax with their Alderperson.

c. HACA Partnership/Funding

There was no report on this agenda item.

d. What's Up Magazine Article – December Reception

Chair Moyer reported that there will be an article on the AIPPC in the December issue of the What's Up magazine. Ms. Towle-Krewson suggested using St. Johns gallery for the December reception and enlisting Jazz Mosaic to play as well as display Mr. Zug's research work at the event in a PowerPoint presentation. She agreed to contact St. John's for costs and availability.

e. Small Parks

Chair Moyer noted that there has been one proposal for a \$50,000 project that is not part of the small parks. The proposal is for a bronze sculpture for the Newman Street Park. There was a brief discussion regarding the whether the sculpture would be appropriate for the City of Annapolis. **Vice Chair** Koscianski agreed to contact the artist and address the AIPPC's concern and report back.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. City Hall Art Exhibit

Chair Moyer reported that the Mayor has decided to continue the City Hall Art exhibits. She explored the building to determine if there are any places for the exhibits and there are some potential locations for art exhibits. She noted that the City Special Events Coordinator, Felicia Nolan agreed to assist but the AIPPC will be responsible for coordinating the events. She suggested hiring someone to coordinate the effort to include contacting the artists, preparing for the events, and contacting Public Works for the art installation.

2. Artwork Proposals

Vice Chair Koscianski agreed to take care of the artwork proposal discussed under small parks.

3. Musicians/Summer Program Fundraiser

Chair Moyer reported that Mr. Arthur agreed to pursue fundraising efforts with local businesses.

4. **Other**

Archive Space

The AIPPC asked for some space specifically a shelf to archive inspirations works on art. Ms. Whittlinger agreed to check and report at the November 25, 2014 meeting.

Quantum Sales – A hold Corporation

Ms. Towle-Krewson spoke with the representative from Quantum Sales regarding location on Bay Ridge for Carr's Beach artwork and they were opposed to artwork at this location. **Chair** Moyer spoke with the City Manager and believes that he will check into this issue.

Brice House Memorandum of Agreement

The MOU for the Brice House to accept the Four Signers artwork has been received.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

There was none.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 25, 2014 at 6:30 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.

Ms. Towle-Krewson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22pm. Ms. Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 5-0.

Tami Hook, Recorder